

## Message Text

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INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 EB-07 COME-00 RSC-01 /026 W

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FM AMEMBASSY BERN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 096

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PASS TO LE/BEERS, US FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, DEPT  
OF INTERIOR

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SENV, SZ, US

SUBJECT: COMMERCIAL INFORMATION REQUEST

REF: A) STATE 006167; B) BERN 3693

1. EMBASSY REGRETS DELAY IN PROVIDING INFORMATION MENTIONED  
IN PARAS 1 AND 3 REFTTEL B. LOCAL CREDIT AGENCY HAD SAID  
IT THOUGHT IT COULD UNCOVER MORE DETAILS ON VESFORT AND  
OTHER THREE FRIMS IN QUESTION BUT NOW SAYS IT UNABLE DEVELOP  
MORE INFORMATION. THEREFORE, WTDRS BASED ON EXISTING  
INFORMATION CABLED JANUARY 15 (BERN 0173, 0174, 0175 AND  
0176).

2. CONTACT IN SWISS POLICE DIVISION SAID HE HAS NOT HAD  
TIME TO LOOK INTO OPERATIONS OF FOUR COMPANIES. HE PROMISED  
TO DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND EMBASSY WILL REPORT ANY  
INFORMATION HE IS ABLE TO PROVIDE.

3. AS WASHINGTON AGENCIES ARE AWARE, EMBASSY'S ABILITY  
TO OBTAIN MORE THAN SUPERFICIAL INFORMATION ABOUT SWISS  
FIRMS SEVERELY LIMITED BY SWISS LAW ON COMMERCIAL SECRECY.  
SINCE FIRMS IN QUESTION DO NOT APPEAR TO HAVE VIOLATED ANY  
SWISS LAWS, IT DOUBTFUL POLICE DIVISION WILL HAVE MUCH MORE  
INFORMATION THAN PROVIDED IN WTDRS.

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